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To Rhode Island and Sandwich Select Quarterly Meeting:

Dear Friends:

At South Kingstown Select Quarterly Meeting held the 12th of Fourth Month 1942 the queries have been read with the following accepted answer to Query III: "The spiritual care of the young has long been a concern of this meeting since we realize that, on them, depends the growth of the meeting, if it grows at all. We try, by precept and example, to encourage them in spiritual things, pointing them to the joys that may be ours by keeping close to the Master's feet. We encourage, as best we can, all those who have a leaning toward religious things and pray God that the Spirit of the Highest will make clear and illumine their pathway."

We forward this answer by Thomas Perry whom we appoint as our representative.

Thos F. Perry
Clerk

To Rhode Island and Sandwich

Dear Sirs:

at South Kingston

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We forward this answer by

representative.

Yours truly,
[Signature]

COPY of letter prepared by direction of the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in the Ninth Month, 1940, and adopted at a Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Dover in the Tenth Month following.

AND ELDERS

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New England Yearly Meeting of Friends

Westerly, Rhode Island

Eleventh Month 14, 1940

Dear Friend,

We believe that at this time each member of our Yearly Meeting must be questioning what his Quakerism means to him and what he has to contribute to today's current of Quaker thought and action. We write this letter because we want thee to know the great need our meetings have of thy sincerest thinking and of thy interpretation of Quakerism for thy generation.

We older members feel that often we have wandered far from the singleness of aim shown by Jesus, and consequently the spirit of joy and confidence which was His, the full and abundant life He found, we have experienced too little. It seems to us that the great tragedy of this era is that in its passivity and weakness the Christian church has not given to men that knowledge of Christ's way which we believe could have brought light rather than the present darkness. Now that we can see how completely an industrialized world has missed the things of the spirit, how fear and rage and agony of soul are seizing upon nation after nation, we must ask ourselves - what part in all this have we taken or failed to take?

If we are to find any healing for the world, we must first find it for ourselves. That means that all of us together need to awake to the possibilities which are within us and within our neighbors and within all men. Above all, our meetings need the vitality of our young members. The early Quaker pioneers were mostly young men and women in the prime of their ardor and strength, who broke through the chain of their limitations and ventured undauntedly. We have to find our own faith as they did, we have to do our own thinking and apply it to our own age, we have to make our own adventure.

We write to thee because we believe that each one of us ardently desires a more active Christian life though

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Centreville R S the 31st of 3rd month 1927. The time for which the clerk of this meeting was appointed having expired James W. Oliver is reappointed to that service for the ensuing year or until another appointment. The representatives to our late Select Quarterly Meeting report they were all in attendance. The Queries have been read with answers thereto together with the advices and we forward the answers to our next Select Quarterly Meeting by Elizabeth Foster and James W. Oliver whom we appoint as our representatives. No other business appearing at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Sharon Mass at the usual time in 6th month next if so permitted.

James W. Oliver clerk

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Sharon Mass the 30th of 6th month 1927.

The representatives to our late Select Quarterly Meeting report they were all in attendance.

The Queries have been read with answers thereto together with the advices and we forward the answers to our next

Select Quarterly Meeting by Mary Anna Oliver W^m J Oliver & Mary C Foster whom we appoint as our representatives.

No other business appearing to claim our attention we conclude purposing to meet at Sharon Mass ^{at the usual time} in 9th month next if so permitted.

J W Oliver clerk

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers
and Elders held at Sharon Mass 9th month 29th 1927.
Adjourned to meet at Centreville R.I. 10th month 5th
1927. James W Oliver Clerk

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers
and Elders held at Centreville R.I. the 5th of 10th month 1927.
The Queries have been read to-gether with the answers
and we forward the answers to our next Select Quarterly
Meeting by William J Oliver Elizabeth Foster and
Mary Anna Oliver whom we appoint as our representatives
No other business coming before us at this time we
conclude purposing to meet again at Sharon Mass
at the usual time in 12th month if consistent with
the divine will.

J W Oliver Clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders
held at Sharon Mass the 29th of 12th month 1927.

The representatives to our last Select Quarterly Meeting are
reported to all being in attendance.

The Queries have been read together with the advices
and we forward the answers to our next Select Quarterly
Meeting by Mary Anna Oliver Mary & Foster and
Horace B. Foster whom we appoint as our representatives.
No other business appearing to claim our attention at
this time we conclude purposing to meet again at
Centerville R.I. at the usual time in 3rd month next
if so permitted.

James W. Oliver clerk

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders
held at Centerville R.I. the 29th of 3rd month 1928.

The Queries have been read together with the advices
and we forward the answers to our next Select Quarterly
Meeting by W^m J. Oliver Mary & Foster Mary Anna Oliver
and Horace B. Foster whom we appoint as our representatives.
No further business appearing we conclude purposing to meet
again in Sharon Mass in 6th month next if so permitted.

James W. Oliver clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers
and Elders held at Sharon Mass. June 28th 1928.

The representatives to our late Select Quarterly Meeting
report they were all in attendance.

The Queries have been read with answers thereto
together with the advices and we forward the answers
to our next Select Quarterly Meeting by

Horace B. Foster James W. Oliver & Mary Anna Oliver
whom we appoint as our representatives.

No further business appearing to claim our attention
at this time we conclude purposing to meet at
Centerville R.I. at the usual time in 9th month next
if so permitted.

J. W. Oliver. clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Sharon Mass 12 mo 27th 1928

The Queries have been read with answers thereto, together with the advices and we forward the answers to our next Select Quarterly Meeting by William J. Oliver & James W. Oliver whom we appoint as our representatives.

Our friends Edward ^{of N.Y.} and Marianna Wood are in acceptable attendance.

No further business appearing to claim our attention we conclude purposing to meet at Centreville R.I. at the usual time in 3rd month next if so permitted.
J. W. Oliver clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held at Centreville R.I. 3rd month 28th 1929.

The usual clerk being absent Mary E. Foster is appointed for this time. The Queries have been read with answers there to also advices, which we forward to our next Select Quarterly Meeting to be held at Dartmouth, by our friends William J. Oliver and Elizabeth Foster, whom we have appointed as our representatives. There appearing no other business at this time, we conclude purposing to meet at Sharon 6th month next if so permitted.

Mary E. Foster
clerk for this time.

1929

6th month

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Sharon Mass. the 27th of 6th month 1929. One of the representatives to late Select Meeting reports they all attended to their appointment. The Queries have been read with answers there to and we forward the answers to our next Select Quarterly Meeting by Elizabeth Foster James W. Oliver and Mary C. Foster whom we appoint as our representatives. The advice have also been read. No further business appearing we conclude purposing to meet again in 9th month next at Centreville ^{R.I.} if so permitted
 of W. Oliver, clerk.

9th month

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Centreville R.I. the 26th of 9th month 1929. As the clerk is not present. Horace B. Foster is appointed to serve at this time. One of the representatives to our late Select Quarterly Meeting reports they all were in attendance, but one, who was not able to attend. The Queries have been read with answers thereto which we forward to our next Select Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth Mass by Elizabeth Foster and Mary C. Foster whom we appoint as representatives. There appearing no other business at this time we conclude purposing to meet at Sharon Mass in 12th month next if so permitted.

Horace B. Foster clerk

for this time.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Sharon Mass the 26th of 12th month 1929 The Queries have been read with answers thereto also the advices and we forward the answers to our next Select Quarterly Meeting by James W Oliver & Elizabeth Foster and W^m J Oliver whom we appoint as our representatives. The subject of the time of holding this meeting being brought before us it was decided to have the hour for gathering changed from 10 o'clock to 10-30. No other business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet again in 3rd month next in Centerville R.I. at the usual time if so permitted.
J W Oliver clerk.

1930 At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Centerville R.I. the 27th of 3rd month 1930. The Queries have been read together with the advices and we forward the answers to our next Select Quarterly Meeting by Mary Anna Oliver, Horace B Foster ^{to James W. Oliver} Mary E. Foster, whom we appoint as our representatives. No other business coming before us at this time we conclude purposing to meet at Sharon Mass ^{at the usual time} in 6th month next if so permitted.
J W Oliver clerk.

1930

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Sharon Mass 6th month 26th 1930

6th month

The Queries have been read together with the advices. Mary E. Foster and W^m J Oliver are appointed as our representatives to attend our approaching Select Quarterly meeting.

The business coming before us having been accomplished we conclude purposing to meet again in 9th month next at Centerville R.S. at the usual time if so permitted.

J W Oliver clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Centerville R.S. 9th month 25th 1930

9th month

The Queries have been read together with the advices and we forward the answers to our next Select Quarterly Meeting by Horace B. Foster James W. Oliver and Mary E. Foster whom we appoint as our representatives. No other business appearing we conclude purposing to meet again at Sharon Mass at the usual time in 12th month next if so permitted.

James W. Oliver clerk.

1930

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Sharon Mass the 25th of 12th month 1930. The Queries have been read together with the answers. We appoint Mary & Foster Elizabeth Foster, W^m J Oliver and James W. Oliver representatives to attend our next Select Quarterly Meeting at North Dartmouth. No other business coming before us at this time, We conclude purposing to meet again at Centerville R.S. at the usual time in 3rd month if so permitted.

J W. Oliver clerk.

1931

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders. held at Centerville R.S. the 28th of 3rd month 1931. This meeting should have been held 3rd month 26th but some members were absent on account of storm.

The Queries have been read and an answer prepared for the 4th Query. We appoint Elizabeth Foster, James W. Oliver and Mary & Foster as our representatives to our next Select Quarterly meeting & by whom we forward the answer to the 4th Query. The business coming before us having been accomplished we conclude purposing to meet again at the usual time in 6th month next at Sharon Mass. if so permitted.

J W Oliver clerk.

1931

Preparative

At Nantucket ~~Monthly~~[^] Meeting of Ministers & Elders,
held at Sharon Mass the 25th of 6th month 1931.

The Queries have been read together with the advices
Elizabeth Foster Horace Foster W^m J. Oliver & Mary C Foster
are appointed as our representatives to our next Select
Quarterly Meeting. No further business appearing to
claim our attention we conclude purposing to meet
again at Centreville R.I. at the usual time in 9th month
if so permitted.

J W Oliver clerk.

Preparative

At Nantucket ~~Monthly~~[^] Meeting of Ministers & Elders,
held at Centreville R.I. the 24th of 9th month 1931.

~~The representatives to our late Select Quarterly Meeting report that they all~~
The Queries have been read together with the advices ^{attended}

and we forward the answer to the 2nd Query to our
ensuing Select Quarterly meeting by James W Oliver
W^m J. Oliver, & Mary C Foster whom we appoint
as our representatives. No other business appearing to
claim our attention we conclude purposing to meet
again at Sharon Mass at the usual time in 12th month
if so permitted.

J W Oliver clerk.

Answer to 2nd Query.

It is believed that the lives and
conversation of Ministers & Elders are clean and blameless among men,
That they labor in unity of Spirit with one another and with their meetings.

1931
At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders
held at Sharon Mass the 31st of 12th month 1931.

12th mo
Mary E. Foster, Horace B. Foster, William J. Oliver and
James W. Oliver are appointed as our representatives
to attend Sandwich Select Quarterly Meeting.

No further business appearing we conclude purposing
to meet at Centreville R.S. at the usual time
in 3rd month next if so permitted.

James W. Oliver clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders.
held at Centreville R.S. the 31st of 3rd month 1932.

The Queries have been read to gether with answers to the
4th Query. W^m J Oliver Elizabeth Foster

1932
3 month
James W Oliver are appointed our representatives to
attend our Select Quarterly Meeting.

No further business appearing we conclude purposing to
meet at Sharon Mass at the usual time in 6th month
next if so permitted

James W Oliver clerk.

Ans to Query 4th

We believe there has been some Spiritual
Growth in our meetings.

1932

6mo.

at Nantucket Preparative meeting of
ministers and Elders held at Centerville
R.I. 6 mo. 30, 1932.

As our Friends at Sharon Mass. have
moved out of our limits this meeting
is to be held in the future at Centerville
R.I. at the usual time.

The clerk having moved away Elizabeth
Foster is appointed in the place of
James W. Oliver.

We appoint our Friends Mary C. Foster &
Mary E. Foster as representatives to Sandwich
Select Quarterly meeting

No further business to claim our attention
we conclude purposing to meet here at the
usual time in 9 mo. next, if permitted
Elizabeth Foster clerk.

9 mo.

at Nantucket Preparative meeting of
ministers and Elders held at Centerville
R.I. 9 mo. 29-1932

The Queries have been read and an
answer given for the second query
We appoint Mary C Foster and Elizabeth
Foster as our representatives to attend
Sandwich Select Quarterly meeting.

1932. no further business appearing we conclude purposing to meet here at the usual time in 12 mo. next if permitted.
Elizabeth Foster clerk.

Ans. to 2nd. Query.

It is believed that the lives and conversation of ministers & elders are clean and blameless among men. that they labor in unity of spirit with one another and with their meeting.

12th 29th At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of
1932 Ministers & Elders met, and adjourned, the clerk not being present, 12th Ma 29th 1932.
Horace B. Foster.

1933
3rd Mo
20th
At Nantucket Preparative meeting of
ministers and Elders held at Centerville
R. I. the 30th of 3rd mo. 1933.
The clerk not being present Horace B. Foster
is appointed for this time.

The Queries have been read also Ans.
to the 4th Query. We appoint
Mary E. Foster and Mary C. Foster our
representative to Sandwich Select
Quarterly Meeting. The name of

Anna Foster

^ was brought forward for the Station of Elder, which this meeting unites with, and we forward the proposal to our Select Quarterly meeting for its consideration or approval.

Ans. to 4th Query.

We hope there has been some spiritual growth in our meetings

The Deaths -

Mary Anna Oliver an Elder of this meeting, died in Ichusa N.Y. on 11 mo. 22 nd. 1932 aged 82 years.

William T. Oliver until recently a member and Elder of this meeting died in Overisville Pa. 1st mo. 2 nd 1933 aged 79 years.

No further business appearing we conclude purposing to meet at Centerville R. 9. in 6 mo. next if so permitted.

Horace B. Foster clerk for the day

6 mo. of ministers and Elders held at
 1983 Centerville A. S. the 29th. of 6 mo. 1933.
 The representatives were present at
 the Select Br. meeting.

The Queries have been read with
 the answer to the 3rd. Query which
 we forwarded to Sandwich Select Br.
 meeting by Mary C. Foster and
 Mary E. Foster whom we appoint
 as our representatives.

Unity was expressed with the
 appointment of Anna Foster to the
 Station of Elder and she is now
 a member of Select meeting.

No further business at this time
 we conclude to meet here at the
 usual time in 9 mo. next if
 permitted.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.
 answer to III. Query.

Some care is exercised over
 the young people of this meeting.

9 mo.

1933.

at Nantucket Preparative meeting
of ministers and Elders held at Centerville
R.I. on the 28th of 9 mo. 1933

Horace B. Foster an Elder of this meeting
died on 8-2-1933 age 83 years.

The queries have been read and an
answer given for the II. Query which
is to be sent to be sent to Sandwich Jr. meeting
of ministers and Elders by Anna Foster &
Mary E. Foster whom we appoint as
representatives.

Answer II. The lives and conversion^{at}
of ministers and Elders are cho^{ic} to be
carefully conducted.

No further business at this time
we conclude to meet here at the usual
time in 12 month next.

Elizabeth Foster clerk

12 mo.

1933.

at Nantucket Preparative meeting of
ministers and Elders held at Centerville
R.I. on the 28 of 12 mo. 1933.

The representatives were present at
the Select Jr. meeting.

Our friends Anna Foster and Mary E Foster
are appointed to attend the next Select

Quarterly meeting at Dartmouth
The queries have been read and an
answer given for the III

Answer III. There is a concern
and some care is exercised for the
dear young people.

No further business to come before
this meeting we propose to meet
in third mo. next if permitted.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

at Nantucket Preparative meeting of
ministers and elders held at Centerville
R.D. 26 of 4 mo. 1934.

Only one of the representative was
able to attend the select dr. meeting.

We appoint our friends Anna Foster
and Mary E. Foster to attend the next
select dr. mtg.

The queries were read and an
answer given for the IV.

Answer IV. We feel encouraged to hope
there is a growth in spiritual life in our
meetings. — No further business at this
time we conclude purposing to meet at the
usual time in 6 mo. next. Elizabeth Foster clerk

6 mo.
1934.

at nantucket preparative meeting of
ministers and elders held at Centerville
R.I. the 28 of 6 mo. 1934.

The Queries were read and an answer
given for the first, as directed, which
we forward to Select Quarterly mtg. by
our friends Mary E. Foster and Elizabeth
Foster whom we appoint as our repres-
entatives.

Ans. I. - We believe ministers are
careful to wait for Divine ability
there by spreading the true message.

The representatives were present at the
last meeting. No further business we
propose to meet in 9 mo. next if permitted
Elizabeth Foster clerk.

9 mo.
1934.

at nantucket preparative meeting of
ministers and elders held at Centerville
R.I. the 27 of 9 mo. 1934.

The minutes of last meeting were read.
One of the representatives was not able
to attend the last select quarterly meet-
ing. The Queries were read and an
answer given for the second which
we forward to Sandwich select.

Quarterly mtg. by our friends Anna Foster and Mary E. Foster whom we appoint as our representatives.

9 mo. A concern was felt for each individual that we might have a deeper concern for every day and our meetings would grow stronger. And that we would be enabled to do the right things and leave other things undone.

continued

No further business we propose to meet in 12 mo. next if permitted
Elizabeth Foster, clerk.

Answer II. The lives and conversation of ministers and elders are not to be satisfactory and they are in unity with one another and their meetings.

at Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and elders held at Centerville

12 mo. R. 9. 12-27-1934.

1934. The minutes of last meeting were read. One of the representative was not able to attend the select Jr. meeting on account of ill health. We appoint Anna Foster as our representative to the next select Jr. meeting.

The Queries have been read
and an answer given to the third

Ans. III. Loving care is exercised
over the young people in our
meeting and desires are felt for
their growth in religious experience.
Mary E. Foster an Elder in this meeting
departed this life 12 mo. 17. 1934. at the
age of 81 years.

Our ranks are growing smaller and
smaller and desires have arisen that
the younger members may grow
stronger, which is attained by a
daily work.

No further business we propose to
meet in 3 mo. next if permitted

Elizabeth Foster clerk

At Nantucket Preparative meeting
of ministers and Elders held at Centerville
R.I. 3 mo. 28 - 1935.

The minutes of last meeting were read
We appoint Elizabeth Foster as our
Representative to the approaching
Select Quarterly meeting, (the newly
organized Rhode Island and

12 mo.

1934.

Continued.

3rd Mo.

1935

Sandwich Is. mtg.) held at Centerville
 R.I. The Queries were read
 and an answer given for the IV.
 3 mo, Ans. IV. We trust there is a
 continued growth of Spiritual life in our
 meetings, and a deeper growth
 is desirable. no further business
 at this time we conclude and
 propose to meet in 6 mo. next if
 permitted Elizabeth Foster
 clerk.

A + Nantucket Preparative
 meeting of ministers and elders
 held at West Warwick R.I. (same as
 Centerville R.I.) 6-27-1935.

6 mo. 1935 The minutes of the last mtg. were
 read. The Overseers of the monthly
 mtg. met with us. The Queries
 have been read and we forward
 the answers there to the approach-
 ing Rhode Island and Sandwich
 Quarterly mtg. to be held at North
 Dartmouth, by Anna Foster whom
 we name as our representative.
 The advises have been read at this

time. no further business at this time we conclude to meet again in 9 mo. next if permitted

Elizabeth Foster clerk

Answer. I.

We believe ministers are careful to wait for Divine ability and there by promote the spiritual growth of their hearers.

Answer II.

6 mo.
continued.

The lives and conversation of ministers and Elders are that to be satisfactory and they are in unity with one another and their mtgs.

Answer III.

Loving care is exercised over the young people in our mtgs. and desires are felt for their growth in religious experience

Answer IV.

We trust there is a growth of spiritual growth life in our mtgs and a deeper growth is desirable.

at Nantucket Preparative meeting
of ministers and elders held at West-
Swanwick R.D. 9 mo. 26 - 1935.

9 mo. The minutes were read and corrected.
Our representative was present at
the last Jr. meeting of ministers and
elders. The queries were read and
an answer given for the I. which
we forward to the approaching
Jr. meeting of ministers and elders
to be held at Dover Mass. by Elizabeth
Foster who we name as our
representative. no further business
we conclude to meet again in 12 mo.
next if permitted. Elizabeth Foster
Clark.

Answer I. Ministers are careful
to wait for Divine ability and there-
by promote the spiritual growth
of their hearers.

Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and elders held at West Warwick R.I.

12-1935 12 mo. 26 - 1935. The minutes of the last meeting were read also the advices. The Queries were also read and an answer given to the second Query. We appoint Elizabeth Foster as our representative to the approaching Select Quarterly meeting at Westfield R.I. no further business we purpose to meet again in 3 mo. next

Elizabeth Foster Clerk.

Answer II. We believe the lives and conversation of ministers and elders are satisfactory and they are in unity with one another and their meetings.

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and elders held at West Warwick R.I. 3 mo. 28 to mo. 26

3-1936 1936. Feeling unable to give an answer to the III. Query we adjourn to meet later with the Overseers. - At Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and elders held 4 mo. 3. 1936 by adjournment.

We appoint Elizabeth Foster for representative to the approaching Quarterly meeting of ministers and elders. The Queries have

been read and we give the following suggested answer for III.

Ans. III. A good degree of care is bestowed on the children of our meeting thro books about religious characters and sharing the families religious experiences no further business appearing we conclude to meet at the usual time in 6 mo. next.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Montucket preparative meeting of ministers and elders held at West Warwick R.I. 6 mo. 26, 1886

The queries have been read and we give a suggested answer to the IV. Ans. IV. It is hoped that those things which hinder the growth of spiritual life may diminish and a real growth be more apparent.

6 mo. 1936. The advises have also been read. We appoint Elizabeth Foster as representative to the approaching quarterly meeting at North Dartmouth Mass. Our beloved friend Mary C. Foster, a minister of this meeting departed this life on 4 mo. 23-1936 aged 82 years.

There being no further business we conclude to meet in 9 mo. next if permitted

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and elders held at West Warwick R.I. 7 mo. 27. 1936. Our representative was in attendance at the last Quarterly mtg.

We appoint Anna Foster as representative to the approaching 2d. mtg. of ministers and elders to be held at

7 mo. 27. 36 Dover Mass. The queries have been read and an answer to the first query was given.

Ans. I. James Oliver having been in attendance at our meetings we were impressed with the carefulness of ministers to wait for Divine ability that they may spread the true message.

No further business we propose to meet in 12 mo. next. Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and elders held at West Warwick R.I. 1 mo. 12. 1937.

1 mo. 1937 Anna Foster reports she was in attendance at the last 2d. meeting, and we appoint her to attend the coming 2d. meeting to be held at Westerly R.I.

Ans. to Query II: Ministers and elders are careful to live so their lives will be a good example to others. They are in unity with one another and their meetings. No further business we propose to meet in Third month next.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

Nantucket Select meeting held at West Warwick R.I. 3 mo. 26-1937. minutes of last meeting were read. We appoint Anna Foster to attend the next Select Quarterly meeting. which will be held at West Warwick R.I. The queries were read and an answer given to the third.

Ans. III. There is a loving and watchful care over the young people of our meeting.

No further business we propose to meet in 6 mo.

Elizabeth Foster clerk

At Nantucket select meeting held at West Warwick R.I. 6 mo. 27, 1937. minutes of last meeting were read also the advises. The queries were read and we forward the answer to the Fourth to the Quarterly meeting by Elizabeth Foster whom we appoint as representative. Answer IV. We believe our members endeavor to attend meetings in a living and receptive state of mind. No further business we propose to meeting in ⁹mo. next.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

Nantucket select meeting held at West Warwick R.I. 9th. 9 mo. 25, 1937. The queries were read and we forward the answer to the first query to the Quarterly meeting by Elizabeth Foster whom we appoint as representative.

Answer I. Ministers are careful to wait for Divine ability to deliver their message to the meeting.

No further business we conclude to meet in ¹² 1st mo. next.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. 12 mo. 25. 1937

12 mo.

1937

An answer was prepared for the second Query which was directed to be sent to R.I. & Sandwich ^{Select} Quarterly meeting at Westerly R.I. by Elizabeth Foster as our representative

Ans. II. Ministers and Elders are concerned that their conduct and conversation will be a help to others. They are in unity with one ^{an} other and their meetings.

No further business we conclude to meet in 3 mo. 1938

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. 3 mo. 26th. 1938

3 mo.

1938.

An answer was prepared for the third Query which is to be sent to Rhode Island and Sandwich Select Quarterly meeting by Elizabeth Foster as our representative. The name of Jane M. Foster is recommended for the service of Elder and we

forward the proposal to the select quarterly meeting for its consideration.

Ans. III There is watchful and loving care over the young people of the meeting.

no further business we conclude to meet in sixth ^{mo} if permitted.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. 6 mo. 26. 1938

Our answer has been prepared to the fourth query 6 mo. which is to be sent to the Select Quarterly meeting 1938. by Elizabeth Foster as our representative.

Answer IV. We hope there is a growth of spiritual life in our meetings. no further business we propose to meet in 7 mo. next. Elizabeth Foster clerk

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. the 24th of 9 mo. 1938. Unity was expressed ^{at the quarterly mtg.} with the

7 mo. appointment of Jane M. Foster as Elder. Our

1938. Answer was prepared to the First Query which is to be sent to the Quarterly meeting by Anna Foster as our representative

Ans. I. We believe ministers are careful to wait for Divine guidance. We seldom have ministers in attendance at our meetings, but some times

messages are given which are helpful.
Elizabeth Foster clerk.

12 mo.
1938.

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. the 31st of Twelfth month 1938.

An answer was prepared for the Second Query which we forward to Rhode Island and Sandwich ^{select} Quarterly meeting by Anna Foster whom we appoint as our representative.

Answer II. We believe Elders realize their responsibility, and are careful of their conduct. No further business we conclude purposing to meet in 3rd mo. if permitted. E. Foster clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. the 25th of Third month 1939.

3 mo.
1939.

An answer was prepared for the Third Query which we forward to Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly meeting by Elizabeth Foster whom we appoint as our representative.

Answer II. There is watchful and loving care over the young people at the meeting. No further business we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time in Sixth month. E. Foster clerk.

at Nantucket Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. the 28th - of Sixth month 1939 by arrangement.

We appoint Elizabeth Foster as representative to Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, by whom we forward our answer to the Fourth query.

Answer IV. We believe there is some growth of spiritual life in our meetings. E. Foster clerk.

at Nantucket Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. the 30th of 9mo. 1939. We appoint Anna Foster as representative to Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders by whom we forward our answer to the First query.

Answer I. We believe that only as ministers wait for and depend on Divine ability to authorize their message can they promote the spiritual growth of their hearers. no further business we purpose to meet at the usual time in First month

Elizabeth Foster clerk

12th mo.
1939.

At Nantuxet Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. the 30th of 12th month 1939. We appoint Anna Foster as our representative to Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly meeting of Ministers and Elders, to be held in Cambridge Mass. By her we forward our answer to the Second query Answer II. We believe Elders are careful of their conduct and work in unity with one another and their meeting. No further business we conclude to meet at the usual time in 3rd. month if permitted. E. Foster clerk.

3rd Mo.
1940.

At Nantuxet Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. the 30th of Third Month 1940. We appoint Anna Foster as our representative to Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly meeting of Ministers and Elders, to be held at West Warwick R.I. By her we forward our answer to the third query. Answer III. We realize our responsibility in the care and fostering of the religious life of the young people of our meeting. E. Beth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. the 30th of 6th mo. 1940. We appoint Elizabeth Foster as representative to Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly meeting of Ministers and Elders to be held at North Dartmouth Mass. By her we forward our answer to the fourth query.

6 Mo. 1940. Answer 4. We believe our members earnestly try to make our meetings into vital religious experiences.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. the 28th of 9^{mo}. 1940.

The committee appointed by the Quarterly meeting of Ministers and Elders to make some changes in the wording of the 9th Mo. 1940. Second query propose the following - "Do ministers and Elders have that moral strength and serenity which bears witness ^{before men} to the Christ like spirit." We feel that the ~~that~~ in the last part of the original query should be retained. We forward our answer to the first query to the Quarterly meeting of Ministers and Elders, ^{at Dover Mass.} by Thera Jane Foster as our representative.

Answer 1. We believe Friends are very much concerned to wait for Divine Ability that they may spread the true message of Christ.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of
ministers and Elders held at West Warwick

1st mo. R.I. on First month 5th 1941.

1941.

We appoint Thyra Jane Foster as our
representative to the Select Quarterly meeting
to be held at Friends Meeting House Cambridge
mass. By her we forward our answer to the
Second query. The subject of changing the
Second query is still continued
Answer II. We believe ministers and Elders
are careful of their conduct and have been
granted ability to work in a good degree
of unity with one another and their meetings.

No further business we propose to meet in
Third month if permitted. Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of ministers
and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. on
the 14th of Fourth month 1941.

3rd mo.

We appoint Thyra Jane Foster as our rep-
resentative to the Select Quarterly meeting to
be held at Westerly R.I. By whom we forward
our answer to the Third query.

Answer III. Loving and watchful care is
exercised over the young people of the
meeting. More study of Christian and

Friendly Principals which would result in a fuller expression concerning the things of the Spirit is recommended. no further business we conclude to meet in sixth mo. next. E. Foster

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. on Seventh month 13-1941 (by arrangement)

6 mo. Elizabeth Foster was appointed representative to the Quarterly meeting of ministers and Elders to be held at North Dartmouth Mass. By her we send our answer to the Fourth Query.

Answer IV. We believe our members endeavor to attend meetings in a living and receptive state of mind. As this endeavor is persisted in there will be that growth in Spiritual life which we covet.

Elizabeth Foster clerk

7 Mo. At Nantucket meeting of ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. on Tenth month 12th 1941 (by arrangement). We appoint Anna Foster as our representative to the approaching Quarterly meeting to be held at Friends meeting in Providence R.I. The following answer to the first query was accepted by the meeting. (over)

Friends feel a need for nurturing their own Spirits in the love of Christ that their message come from the right source, also receptive minds to receive the message, if they are to be benefited there by.

No further business we propose to meet in 12th month if permitted. Elizabeth Foster clerk.

Nantucket monthly meeting of ministers and Elders held on the 28th of Twelfth month

12 mo. 1941. at West Warwick R.I.

1941.

We appoint Anna Foster as our representative to the Quarterly meeting to be held at Cambridge mass. By here we forward our answer to the Second Query.

Answer II. Ministers and Elders are careful of their conduct, and work together with a good degree of unity. No further business we conclude to meet at the usual time in Third month next.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held on the 5th of 4th month 1942 at West Warwick R.I.

4 mo.

1942.

The representative to Quarterly meeting

reports the attendance was small. We appoint Elizabeth Foster as our representative to the ^{Select} Quarterly meeting to be held in Westerly P.I. by her we forward our answer to the third query.

Answer III. Effort is expended to bring our young people in touch with living religion through association with religious people and books. With the hope they may attain a greater degree of vital religious experience than we have attained our selves. E. Foster ^{clerk}

At Nantucket preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held on the 12 of 7th month 1942 at West Warwick R.I.

7 mo. We appoint Elizabeth Foster as our representative to the Select Quarterly meeting to be
1942. held at North Dartmouth Mass., by whom we forward our answer to the ^{fourth} ~~Third~~ query.

Answer IV. We believe there are evidences in the meeting of Spiritual yearning and striving, and we are conscious of how far short we fall.

no further business we conclude purposing to meet in 9th mo.

Note - the Second Query now Elizabeth Foster clerk
Substitutes the word "upright" for "blameless".

First Mo.

1943.

At Nantucket Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. on 1-10-1943
We appoint Anna Foster as our representative to the Quarterly meeting to be held at Cambridge Mass. by whom we forward our answer to the first Query.

Answer I. We have no recorded ministers but we believe a concern is felt to wait for Divine ability in speaking, in order that the message given may promote the spiritual growth of the meeting.

No further business we now conclude to meet again in Third month if permitted.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

Fourth

Mo.

1943

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. on 4-25-1943
We appoint Thyra Jane Foster as our representative to the Quarterly meeting to be held at Providence R.I. By whom we forward our answer to the Second Query.

The Adverses were read. Our Elders should be helpful, and in tender spirit encourage those whose ministry gives evidence of proceeding from the Divine Source.

Answer II. We believe our ministers and Elders try to live upright lives, and there is unity of Spirit among them. However a prepared answer does not relieve individual members of this responsibility.

No further business at this time we conclude to meet in Sixth month if Permitted

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

At Nantucket Preparative Meeting of ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R. I. on 7 mo. 16 - 1943. We appoint Elizabeth Foster as our representative to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth Mass. By her we forward our answers to the Third and Fourth Queries

7th Mo.
1943.

Answer III. A loving and watchful care is exercised over the young people of the Meeting. We believe the home is a nursery of Spiritual life which puts a great responsibility upon the adults to recognize spiritual growth in those around them and to give timely encouragement.

Answer IV. We feel there has been a growth of Epiritual Life in our meetings and also a desire to continually strive after it.

Elizabeth Foster Clerk

1944

Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders appointed Anna Foster as representative to the Select Quarterly Meeting to be held at Providence R.I. By whom we forward our answer to the First query.

Answer I. We believe ministers are concerned to wait for Divine guidance in the exercise of their gifts.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

Nantucket Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders held at West Warwick R.I. on 4 mo. 26, 1944

Anna Foster is appointed as representative to the Select Quarterly Meeting to be held at Westerly in 4 mo. by whom we forward our answer to Second query answer - We believe ministers and elders are careful of their conduct. They with the overseers have worked in unity to gether ^{with} other friends in Providence in forming the new monthly meeting.

clerk. Elizabeth Foster

Nantucket Select Preparative Mtg

At Nantucket preparative meeting
of ministers and elders held at Country
-ville 3rd mo 28th 1929.

The usual clerk being absent, Mary
E. Foster is appointed for this time.

The Quirrs have been read
with answers there to, also advised
wh we forwarded to our next select
quarterly meeting to be held at
Dartmouth by our Friends, Wm
J. Oliver and Elizabeth Foster
whom we have appointed as our
representatives.

There appearing no other busi-
-ness at this time, we conclude
purposing to meet at Sharon 6th
mo, next if so permitted.

Mary E. Foster,

clerk for this time

